

Tyler Junior College News

Non-profit
Organization
U.S. Postage
PAID
Permit No. 797
Tyler, TX 75711

Volume 61 No. 7

Tyler, Texas

Thursday, Feb. 1, 1996

Making room for men in Lewis Hall

Andrea Deegan
Staff Writer

Lewis Hall residents moved to the remaining rooms in the other women's dorms to make room for men in Lewis Hall this semester.

"It was a move to try to accommodate more of the males, because there is an imbalance in the male to female ratio on campus," Residential Life director Clint Ferrar said.

Eighty to 85 men are on the waiting list for housing. Many have been waiting since the beginning of fall semester. The other men's dorms, Bateman, Sledge, and West, are filled.

Ferrar and the administration could not reach any other solution. "We tried initially to create a co-ed hall. . . it was shot down by the administration. . . in August," he said.

"We played with the idea of building another hall. . . at all kinds of different . . . options. The most immediate response to customer needs was converting one of the halls into a male hall," he said.

Ferrar assured residents that every effort would be made to keep roommates and suite

mates together.

"Before we make assignments for spring semester, we will allow the females in Lewis to request a hall," he said late last semester.

Residents will fill out a preference sheet for the dorm they prefer.

"We will try to make those placements as we understand which rooms will be vacant," Ferrar said.

Some residents were angry about the plan.

"I think it's wrong," resident Wendy Cady said. "All of us girls have made a home here (in Lewis) for this year. . . We have the rooms we want, the roommates we want, we've made friends in our dorm, and I think it's wrong to take that away from us."

"In a way I don't like it, and in a way I do, for the simple fact that we need more males on campus," resident Kelli Jones said.

"I like the way Lewis Hall is located on the outskirts of the school. Everyone is not in your business. I think everybody became more family ori-

ented this semester," she said.

Many residents planned to appeal their housing contracts in writing, by Dec. 1. If a resident breaks a contract without writing an appeal, they lose their \$150 deposit and may be charged the room cost for spring, regardless of where they will live.

"I'm going to try my hardest not to stay on campus because I agreed to live in Lewis Hall. . . I want to live here; if I can't. . . I don't want to live on campus at all. I'm looking for an apartment," Kai Walker said.

"I will not (live on campus) because I requested Lewis. If I can't live in Lewis, then I want my (deposit) money back so I can live in an apartment," Becky Albright said.

Other residents said they cannot afford to live off-campus, but are still upset about the move. "As far as I know now, I think I am (staying on campus) because it's my parents' decision, not mine," Jennifer Roberts said.

"We have offered to assist them in moving their things," Ferrar said.



Photo by Stephanie Kirby

SOCCKER CHEERLEADERS—Soccer players cheer Coach Peter Jones who received the 1995 Coach of the Year Award from the National Soccer Coaches Association of America and Umbro. See related story page 5.

Touchstone: Editors begin work

Adrian Cassel
Staff Writer

TJC Touchstone, the campus literary magazine is being put together by the editing staff. It will be published in late April and distributed first on Honors Day for liberal and fine arts students. Copies will then be placed in TJC News boxes in every building.

The magazine contains a collection of essays, short stories, photos, drawings and poetry created by students, faculty and staff. Everyone who attends or works at the College is eligible to enter.

The Touchstone editors read and select the best to publish in the magazine. Wanna be writers and artists have missed this year's Touchstone deadline, Dec. 15, 1995.

Now is the time to start creating entries for the 1997 magazine. They can be turned in beginning Feb. 14 at the LFA Dean's office in Jenkins Hall. The final deadline will be the last week of classes in December, 1996.

The magazine consistently wins awards. Almost every edition has won awards including third place overall from the Texas Community College Journalism Association Award for the 10th issue, published in 1995.

For information about entering or editing, go by the dean's office in 153 Jenkins, the journalism office in 204 Potter Hall, or call 510-2335. To be an editor, students take COMM1132C, a minimester course which ends March 8. Any student may take the course.



Photo by Jamie Melton

AZALEA GARDEN—Construction on campus continues as signs, bulldozer and workers construct a new azalea garden between Wise Plaza Fountain and Jenkins Hall. The former service parking area will soon be an arboretum. Construction on the garden began about a month ago and should be completed in approximately two weeks, weather permitting, Physical Plant Director Bill Parker said. A gift from Ina Brundett will fund this construction because "she wants to make TJC a more beautiful campus," Parker said.

CAMPUS F•O•C•U•S

Stephanie Kirby
Staff Writer

*"Married or not?
What do you think makes a
marriage work?"*



J.P.
Maroney

Status: married
four years
"1) Total honesty
and openness, 2) all
decisions made
together, and 3)
love and
commitment."



Scott
Walsh

Status: married 10
years
"Honesty and 50/50
partnership
working together
on all aspects of
the marriage."



Luis
Venegas

Status: single
"Communication
and a good sex
life."



Alphonso
Starling

Status: single
COMMUNICATION!"



Judy
Shaw

Status: married
14 years
"Do not expect to
change the other
person, be
friends, have a
sense of humor
and forget the
little stuff."

—Learning about black and white— Speeding ticket puts 'White Girl' on fast track to diversity

Misty Cranfill
Staff Writer

When I got a second speeding ticket and learned deferred adjudication would cost \$216, I spent the morning at Tyler Municipal Court seeking community service.

After the three hour wait, I learned the 16 hours of community service I was assigned would only pay for the ticket, not erase it from my

record. So half my problem was solved.

Then the fun began. Assigned to do my service at North Tyler Child Development Center, I set out with directions to go "next to Texas College in North Tyler." Not being from this area, I started asking people how to go. Most told me that it wasn't the best part of town.

I finally found the place and went in. They were in the

process of remodeling, so no kids were present. I was assigned to fix up the classroom.

I was sitting there alone when I heard a woman walk in. Before I could get up, I heard her ask if I was a "white girl." All sorts of thoughts were running through my head as I got up to meet her.

Loretta Black was one big surprise. Soft-spoken with the most friendly looking face, she introduced me to the other

employees, most of whom didn't seem to want my help. The first day was horrible.

Then I met Eva Julane—three years old with pigtails. She was the cutest little girl I have ever seen. She and I became friends. Eva would follow me around everywhere.

The next time I came, Eva was still there. Her mom was one of the preschool teachers. I started talking to everyone and the day care began to feel like a second home. Eva broke the ice when, in front of all the teachers, she called me "White Girl." I just laughed.

Eva is right. My skin is different from hers, but that

didn't stop us from being friends, nor did it stop many of the other preschool teachers from liking me. We had the opportunity to accept our differences, have a little fun with them and get to break all those stupid stereotypes.

I'm still working at the center as a volunteer. All the kids are back and we have the best of times. I am still occasionally called "White Girl," but it's really a nickname and it always gets a giggle.

I am almost glad I got that ticket. It was worth it to have the chance to maybe change the way a few little kids and I will look at the world.

Student overcomes prejudices

Tiffany O'Neal
Staff Writer

My friend is of mixed parentage, white and black. She experiences racism all the time.

When I first saw her last year hanging around the black students, I wondered, "Who is this white girl hanging around all of us blacks?" That's when I really took a look at myself and realized that I was prejudiced. I had never thought that if we were sitting around talking about a white person for no reason, we were prejudiced. I just felt that most white people don't like black people.

As time went on, my friends and I began to talk to this girl. She seemed nice and we began to hang around together. Heather lived in the same hall with us so we spent endless nights just talking about everything. The next semester

Heather moved in as our suite mate. We had such a good time together that we were known around campus as "the clique."

The comments we made



about her before would never come out of our mouths again.

One thing about Heather still bothered me. Her mother was white and her father was black, but Heather was pushing the white race aside and being offended when people called her

white. She did not mind being called black. She stopped hanging around white people and would not go out with a white guy. I often wondered if she started doing this because of the way we used to think about white people.

My feelings have totally changed.

I enjoy my white friends and wouldn't trade them for the world. When I came to college, I never had a white person in my life that I considered a friend.

Heather had to move at the end of last semester and is not coming back. We miss her tremendously. I never thought the "little white girl" would have such an impact on my life. She has taught me not to judge a person by their outside appearance and to respect all races. She is my friend.

Tyler Junior College News

The Tyler Junior College News is published by journalism students every other week except during holidays and exams. Opinions expressed in the News are not necessarily those of the staff, adviser or administration.

The News accepts letters to the editor from the college community for possible publication. Letters must be signed and include writer's address and telephone number. Advertising and letters must be addressed to: TJC News, P.O. Box 9020, Tyler, TX 75711. The editors reserve the right to select and edit letters in accordance with college policy, legal requirements and length.

EDITOR: Jamie Melton

PAGE EDITORS: Anila D'Sa, Chris Stegman, Carla Bass, Nancy J. Garcia, Stephanie Kirby

STAFF WRITER: Cammi Brooks, Andrea Deegan, Stephanie Leonard, Sammy Langford, Tawnya Moore, Moriah Vierkant, ArJun Robinson.

ADVERTISING MANAGER: Stephanie Kirby

PHOTO EDITOR: Andrea Deegan

Member:

Texas Intercollegiate Press Association,
Texas Community College Journalism Association,
Associated College Press

Presidential scholars meet donors at annual dinner

Anila D'Sa
Staff Writer

All 64 Presidential Scholars were invited to meet their donors at the twelfth annual Presidential Scholarship Dinner late last semester at Hollytree Country Club.

"I feel very fortunate and blessed to have a full paid scholarship," Sean Smith said. He received the Tyler Clearing House Association Presidential Scholarship.

Stacey Stringer, Martha Fair Presidential Scholar, said, "I feel very honored that I was chosen and grateful that all of my hard work in high school paid off."

Students were encouraged to write introductory letters to their donors so they get acquainted before the dinner.

"I think it's neat that we stop to recognize these achievements," Dr. Alan Barnes, business and technology counselor, said. "I have yet to talk to a benefactor who thinks it's a bad idea."

"The dinner is primarily to honor the scholarship recipients and provide a way for donors and scholars to meet," College Relations Dixie Director McCormick said. "It provides an opportunity to de-

velop a friendship with donors and get some advice.

McCormick has organized the dinner, a tradition for 12 years. The first scholarship was named in 1984.

TJC President Dr. William R. Crowe welcomed the recipients, their families and the donors.

Sophomore scholar Patrick J. Barnes gave the invocation and Robin Babcock, Jennifer Dwyer and Angie Howard entertained by singing The "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy."

"It was a great experience to meet my donor. It serves as a source of encouragement to see so many people interested in my future and the future of all the Presidential scholars," Donna Gordon, the Loyd and Seville Nunn Scholarship, said.

The program concluded as Crowe and C.C. Baker, vice president of development and alumni relations, awarded certificates to the new scholars.

"I think it's one of the better Presidential Scholarship dinners we've had because of the interest of the student recipients," Baker said. "I think each scholar enjoyed being with their donors."

"It was a very enjoyable

and unique experience," Moriah Vierkant, recipient of the "Red" Little Scholarship, said. "My donor, 'Red' Little, is a nice and interesting person who made the evening pleasant and easy-going."

Dale Burk feels lucky, he said, to be a recipient. He won the Mabel Williams Presidential Scholarship given by the late math instructor.

"We were impressed by the scholarship recipients, both with their background of what they had done and what a nice looking bunch there was," Weldon J. Squyres said. Squyres, with his two brothers, established the Rilla J. Squyres Presidential.

His mother, after whom the scholarship is named, believed in merit, Squyres said, so they set up the scholarship a year ago. This was the first time it has been awarded.

"We were very pleased," he said.

"To qualify for the scholarship, a student must be an incoming freshman, in the top 10 percent of their graduating class, have competitive SAT and ACT scores, show leadership potential through honors and activities and maintain a 3.3 grade point average while

enrolled as a fulltime student," Candice A. Garner, student financial aid and scholarships director, said.

If students meet these qualifications, then they qualify to be chosen for a scholarship

which was set up with \$25,000 "seed money" donated by an individual, family member or group or in memory of an individual. Each Scholar earns \$2,000 per year.

Coming together Dr. Ramirez starts Hispanic club

Nancy Garcia
Staff Writer

History Instructor Dr. Enrique Ramirez will advise the developing Hispanic organization for TJC students. "The Hispanic community is growing at an accelerating rate in East Texas," Ramirez said.

We need to organize ourselves, resolve student problems, serve as an identity group and inspire others to pursue similar goals as those that we have established.

"The purpose of this organization will be to extend and expand our cultural heritage, through exchanges between

student members of this college. The organization will have the support of the Hispanic America Association of East Texas and will be sponsored by the School of Liberal and Fine Arts," Ramirez said. The organizational scholarships, as well. Ramirez is also involved in special projects and minority outreach.

Those interested in joining the Hispanic organization in TJC contact Ramirez at 510-2448 or Nancy Garcia at 592-7839. The organization will start as soon as possible.

Crowe welcomes new faculty, staff

Jamie Melton
Staff Writer

TJC President Dr. William R. Crowe introduced eight new faculty and staff members last month.

Health and Natural Sciences hired four people.

Jean F. Boyer and Charlotte Kay Shaffer will teach vocational nurse education. Boyer, who works in Jacksonville, has a B. S. in nursing from the University of Texas at Austin and an M.S. in allied health from the University of Texas at Tyler. Shaffer has a B.S. in nursing from UT Tyler and a vocational nursing certificate from TJC.

Cheryl Ann Morrow and

Janelle I. Viken direct and teach diagnostic medical sonography. Morrow has an A.A.S. in radiologic technology from TJC and a certificate in ultrasound from East Texas School of Ultrasound in Tyler. Viken has a certificate as a registered diagnostic medical sonographer.

John Curt Boldt will direct Adult Learning Center at the Regional Training and Development Complex. He has a B.B.A. in general business from the University of North Texas at Denton and a M.B.A. in business from LeTourneau University in Longview.

Assistant Football Coach

Ronald P. Comanche received a B.S. in social science education from Grambling State University in Louisiana.

Switchboard Operator Mary Ann Dale was hired for the Marketing and Public Information department. Dale has a GED from Phillips Business College in Gulfport, Miss.

RSC Staff Technician Freddie C. Black graduated from John Tyler High School in Tyler.

Dr. John E. Roueche, director of Community College Leadership Program at UT Austin, and Senator Bill Ratliff, from Mount Pleasant spoke at the faculty meeting in Gentry Gym.

Tannery Hair Styles

\$3 off haircut/\$10 off chemical services
with student/faculty I.D.

•with Kelli or Carol•

1501 S. Broadway in Times Square
(903)561-3385

Mac & Jackie's

"Over the Edge"

Professional Body Piercing

by appointment

call (903)586-2156

•Hospital Autoclave
Sterilization

•Full line of fine jewelry

•Complete privacy

Explore the ancient art
of body
adornment

Medical Awareness N

Student gets hands-on look at teen pregnancy

Christopher Green
Staff Writer

Freshman Vanesia Thompson's life is a bit different from many college students because she has a child. On top of the day-to-day pressure of school, she has to go home and be a mother. Thompson is a teen parent.

Thompson likes to spend as much time as possible with her 13-month-old daughter Nakyrn Gabrielle Thompson. She takes her to the park, zoo and school and plays games with her.

"My daughter likes a lot of attention," Thompson said.

Thompson also works at Mother Frances Hospital, where she teaches a breast

feeding class during the week.

"While I am not at home hospital, my daughter's grandmother, great grandmother and other family members help with the care of my child," Thompson said. Nakyrn usually keeps her mother up till 2 a.m. each school day.

Thompson finds time to have fun with her friends every other weekend. While she is out with her friends, her mother keeps her child.

"I do not encourage teen pregnancy, but I feel that if a female gets pregnant, she should go through with it.

Thompson enrolled in 18 hours, majoring in nursing.

Dental students offer examinations

Cammie Brooks
Staff Writer

The Dental Hygiene clinic, in the Pirtle Technology Center serves students and the general public. Student hygienists can do sealants, X-rays, cleaning and fluoride treatments. Since 1970, the clinic has been open to the public. Services cost \$5.

The clinic is a training ground for students who plan to become registered dental hygienists. Freshmen attend lecture classes and work out of the manual to learn procedures for cleaning and maintaining healthy teeth and learn patient treatment pro-

cedures they will practice their second semester. They hear representatives from such companies as Proctor and Gamble, Colgate and Listerine who promote their products and stress the importance of good dental care.

dentist's office."

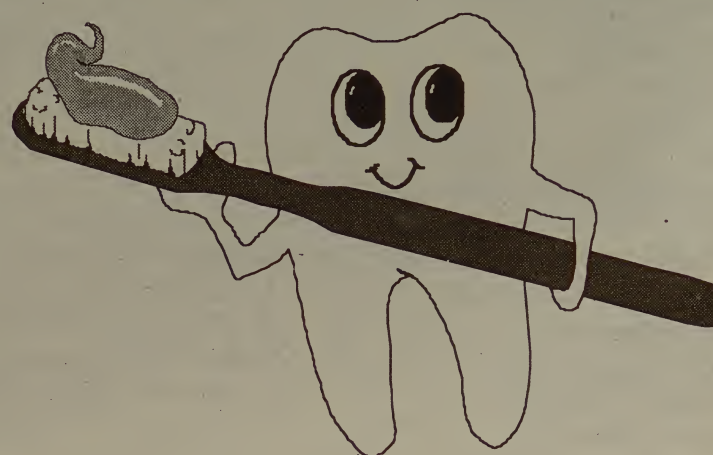
Because services are inexpensive, everyone who makes an appointment cannot be seen.

"The waiting list is very long and the patient load is also very heavy," Hall said.

Student Assistant Theresa

Porter enjoys working in the Clinic because she learns a lot.

"I learn so many interesting things about the correct maintenance of the teeth in this program. We have studied the five types



Students go into the clinic and train on "dummy" patients their second semester. Here they get hands-on experience while dentists supervise and critique them. Students also began sending X-rays to the county health department.

The final year becomes more intense as students actually treat patients. They clean teeth, install sealants to prevent cavities and give fluoride treatments for tooth decay.

Four full-time instructors, part-time instructors and a dentist supervise the 40 students. After they complete the two-year program, students take the state board exam. They have two chances to pass to become registered dental hygienists.

"We do not pull teeth, brighten teeth or perform any type of surgery," Clinical Assistant Fran Hall said. "The clinic is not a substitution for the dentist's office. We just provide basic services at an inexpensive rate as well as a physical atmosphere like a

of patients ranging from the mild No. 1 patient to the more severe cases of those people who have stained teeth, an extreme case of plaque build-up and a large amount of calculus."

Clinic Director Elizabeth Wimberly says the interaction with students is an important advantage in overseeing the program.

"I love this job because I have come from working in a private practice for 10 years, and now have the opportunity of seeing the enjoyment of students' faces in a totally new environment."

Although work can get stressful at times, Wimberly says students have to remember the purpose of the course.

"We have goals and objectives to meet," Wimberly said. "There is always something to strive for."

The Dental Clinic wants to clean teeth for patients who have not had their teeth cleaned in several years, Hall said.

Nurse Boucher Treats more than sniffles, sneezes

Chris Green
Staff Writer

On an average day Campus Nurse Zelda Anne Boucher will see 30 to 40 students, usually seeking treatment for colds, sore throats, coughs and upset stomachs. Though most have ordinary ailments, she has treated students with severe problems: gunshot wounds and heart attacks.

"I enjoy my work and the students that I have met, I still stay in contact with a lot of them," Boucher said. Her office is on the second floor of Rogers Student Center.

Students are "usually calm, nice and very respectful," Boucher said. She can give injections for hepatitis, flu, tetanus, TB skin tests and issue

crutches to students, but she cannot prescribe medicine. She distributes health literature and videos which may be checked



out for a week at a time. Students may schedule appoint-

ments at any time but in an emergency they can get immediate attention without an appointment.

Office hours are from 8 a.m. to noon and from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., students may call 510-2264 or 510-2609.

Boucher has been the nurse here since 1982 and a TJC employee for 18 years. She graduated from TJC and attended the Texas Eastern School of Nursing where she received her degree in nursing and taught before becoming campus nurse.

News

Treatment prevents flu

Laura Brown
Staff Writer

During this season, symptoms of the cold or flu are likely to occur.

"Many flu cases can initially appear to be common colds because the symptoms are so similar," Dr. Paul Wright, Family Practitioner at the University of Texas Health Center at Tyler said.

Influenza is a common respiratory infection whose symptoms include chills and fever, muscle aches, cough with little or no sputum, sore throat, hoarseness, runny nose, headaches, fatigue and appetite loss. If complication arise, treatments of an antibiotic is

usually necessary and with recovery in three to six weeks.

Preventive and treatment measures include:

- Annual flu vaccine.
- Use salt water drops (1 teaspoon of salt to one quart of water) to relieve congestion.
- Gargle with double-strength tea or salt water for a sore throat.
- Wash hands often to avoid spreading germs.
- Use medicines such as acetaminophen, cough syrups, nasal sprays or decongestants.
- Rest and drink liquids.
- Seek medical attention if symptoms are severe or last several days.

Course answers sex questions

Willa Waddy
Staff Writer

A new course, Health Aspects of Human Sexuality answers students' questions about AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases.

Dental Hygiene Instructor Linda Ludovico says the course is designed to clear up much misinformation for the ten member class.

A first step to becoming a knowledgeable information consumer is learning to think critically, she said.

"Only then will we be able to distinguish disease fact from disease myth," Ludovico said.

Record of high standards

Nurse Education Program commended

Willa Waddy
Staff Writer

The Nurse Education Program has set a record of high standards, according to the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas.

Program Director Dee Miller said after the state board visited the department for two days last semester, "It hasn't been easy. The examiners critiqued classes and literally went through the curriculum with a fine tooth comb."

Of the 104 vocational nursing schools in Texas, TJC is one of few to receive such a high recommendation from the state. "This doesn't happen very often," Miller said.

In addition to the commendation, TJC nursing students achieved a 100 percent state exam pass rate for fall graduates.

"One of the things that

helped us along is that we put a lot more emphasis on critical thinking—creating a situation and having the students think

dents are ready to go to work in hospitals, home health, doctor's offices, schools, ambulatory clinics, long term care and rehabilitation facilities. Miller said most student are accepted for employment before they finish the program.

In the 17 years Miller has taught at TJC, the pass rate has exceeded the state average. Approximately 250 students apply each year, but only 60 are accepted. Seventy-five percent of them are in-district students and 25 percent come from surrounding areas.

Applications for 1996 remain open through March 5. Those interested should call 510-2171.



Photo by Willa Waddy
POINTING THE WAY- Nursing Education Director Dee Miller teaches her students the fine points to the Musculoskeletal system.

their way through it and actually having them apply the knowledge and skills they have learned," Miller said.

As licensed VNs, the stu-

On a lighter note...

Tylerites to celebrate kindness

Moriah Vierkant
Staff Writer

Tylerites will celebrate the Random Acts of Kindness movement Feb. 12-18. Schools, families and churches are encouraged to find ways to bring more kindness into their lives and the lives of those around them.

"For too long, our attention has been placed on disease, destruction and pain. It is time to open up our awareness to kindness," Local Coordinator Liza Ely said.

Festivities will begin with a Community Rally at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11 at Bergfield Park. The Mayor's proclamation and a balloon launch will symbolize Tyler's commitment to participate in RAK. All are invited.

Throughout the week people can sign a banner at Broadway Square Mall and to take the Random Acts of Kindness Challenge: to perform three acts of kindness during the next month.

"It is our hope to have a large gathering of folks committed to expand the movement in East Texas," Ely said.

For more information, call 595-5716 or 581-7079.

Rodents predict weather

ArJun Robinson
Staff Writer

According to popular legend, the groundhog, or woodchuck, emerges from hibernation on Groundhog Day, which is tomorrow, Feb. 2. The legend is if the day is sunny and the Groundhog sees his shadow, he will return to his burrow to sleep through six weeks of winter weather.

History teacher Dr. Robert Peters, who is also a well-known East Texas weatherman said his story has "no scientific accuracy at all. It's just a nice fairy tale."

Some people say the groundhog legend is similar to another tradition where snow and dark skies bring a quick end to winter. This tradition is observed in Northern Europe area on Candlemas Day, also celebrated Feb. 2. In some areas Candlemas marks the beginning of spring planting.

Coach of Year

Jones receives national award

Stephanie Kirby
Staff Writer

Soccer Coach Peter E. Jones received 1995 Coach of the Year Award from the National Soccer Coaches Association of America and Umbro. Jones attended the Jan. 18 banquet in Philadelphia and received the award in Junior College Men's Division I South.

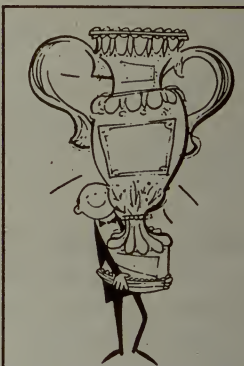
Jones learned the sport of soccer at an elementary school in England when he was 4-years-old. He was the youngest person on his first soccer team when he was 7. After coming to the U.S. at age 11, Jones did not have much

opportunity to play soccer because it was not as popular in the U.S. as in England. He did not play again until he was 17.

Jones has been coaching soccer for 11 years. Eight of those years have been spent here at TJC, two years coaching club soc-

cer and six years coaching the varsity.

Team member Mohamed Dahine from France said Jones "is very demanding and helps a lot during the season."



-From across the nation-

Toll free number offers college access

A toll free extension to TJC connects callers to the switchboard between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. The number, 1-800-687-5680, will "make it easier for students and potential students from all over to access the information they need," Admissions Dean Kenneth Lewis said.

Byliners open writing contest

Byliners of Corpus Christi announces its 13th annual Texas-wide writers competition open to state residents, winter Texans or out-of-state organization members.

Categories for entries are: rhymed poetry, unrhymed poetry, light verse, haiku, children's stories, short stories, reminiscences, articles and novels.

Feb. 29 is the deadline with awards in May. Send a self-addressed stamped envelope to: Byliners Contest, P.O. Box 6218, Corpus Christi, Tx 78460-6218 or call E' Lane C. Murray at (512)991-5294 for more information.

Six Flags to sell concert tickets



Six Flags Over Texas begins selling tickets for spring concerts Saturday.

Tickets for Petra and Whiteheart, who will perform twice April 5, go on sale at 1 p.m. Saturday.

Tickets for two April 6 Carman shows will go on sale at 2 p.m. Satur-

day. Feb. 10, Tracy Lawrence tickets for the April 6 concert go on sale at 1 p.m.; tickets for the May 26 show, "Women of Country" with Pam Tillis, Lorrie Morgan and Carlene Carter, will go on sale at 2 p.m. Rick Trevino May 27 concert tickets will go on sale at 3 p.m. February 17, Beach Boys tickets for the June 2 performance go on sale at 1 p.m. and Gospel Fest tickets go on sale at 2 p.m. John P. Kee, Kirk Franklin and Yolanda Adams will perform in that show June 8.

Most tickets cost \$5 plus admission fees to the Park. Tickets can be purchased at any TicketMaster outlet or through the Six Flags concert booth.

Ticket sales will be announced later for the Aug. 24 Vince Gill concert, Aug. 31 Aaron Tippin and Terri Clark concert and Sept. 7 Emilio Navaira concert.

IRS will verify financial aid status

The Internal Revenue Service offers transcripts and photocopies to verify income for financial aid applications.

Requests should be on the IRS Form 4506, "Request for Copy or Transcript of Tax Form," and the \$14 fee must be enclosed with the original photocopy request. Applications take four to six weeks to process.

A quick, free alternative to the photocopy is the Tax Return Transcript. This offers the same information such as the adjusted gross income and taxes paid. A Transcript is processed the day it is received.

Transcripts are available only if tax returns have been filed for the last three years. If it is not available, a photocopy is the only alternative. To get a blank

Form 4506 call 1-800-829-3676. To file a request, mail the completed form to: IRS, Austin, Tx 73301.

Theft tops campus crime list, group warns

According to Insurance Information Institute theft is the No. 1 crime on college campuses, III warns students living off campus that they are no longer covered under their parents' homeowner policy, but those living in dorms are. Renters should consult their insurance agent concerning a renter's insurance policy.

Four tips for college students to avoid being burglarized are: always lock the doors, even if the room is within eye view, leave all expensive jewelry at the permanent residence; engrave electronic items such as computers, televisions and stereos with a name so police can track stolen merchandise and never leave belongings such as book bags unattended on campus.

For more tips and information contact III at 110 William Street, New York, NY 10038 or call (212)669-9200.

Land O'Lakes offers 75 scholarships

Land O'Lakes, Inc. announces its 75th Anniversary scholarship program for students in agriculture, food science and food production.

Applicants must be currently enrolled or planning to enroll in a part-time or full-time undergraduate degree program at an accredited college, university or vocational school. The program will award 75 \$1,000 post-secondary scholarships to students submitting winning essays.

All applications must be postmarked by March 15 and received by March 31. Contact Tamra Strentz at (312) 240-2733 or write: Land O'Lakes 75th Anniversary Scholarship, P.O. Box 39104, Chicago, Illinois 60639 for more information.

A&M to celebrate Hispanic awareness

Texas A&M University's Memorial Student Center Committee for Mexican American Culture Awareness will celebrate Hispanic traditions Feb. 8-11 at the ninth annual Southwest Conference on Latino Affairs.

The Conference promotes a sense of pride, unity and self-identity for people of Mexican-American heritage through political, business and educational leaders. This year's program, "Nuestra Gente: Echoes of the Past, Voices of the Future" includes sessions on current affairs.

The cost is \$35 for college students, \$15 for high school students and \$45 for non-students. For additional information call (409) 845-1515.



Literacy council will train assistants

The Literacy Council of Tyler will train qualified people for immediate help.

The next orientation is from 2-3:30 p.m. March 10 with ESL training from 8:15 a.m.-5 p.m. March 16 and 23 and basic training from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. April 20 and 27. All sessions will be repeated in late April and early September.

All sessions meet in Taylor Auditorium of Tyler Public Library. For more information call Billie or Nancy at 533-0330 Monday through Friday from 8:30-4:30.

Montana park seeks 900 employees

Glacier National Park, Inc. of Montana expects to fill more than 900 jobs in hotel and hospitality from mid-May until early October.

Positions include: hotel front desk, room attendants, cooks, wait persons, bus drivers and entertainers. The company is most interested in hotel/restaurant, culinary arts, travel/tourism, accounting, music or theater majors.

For details on jobs and salaries contact Glacier Park, Inc. at: (602) 207-2620 or write Glacier Park, Inc., Dial Tower, Phoenix, Az. 85077-0924.

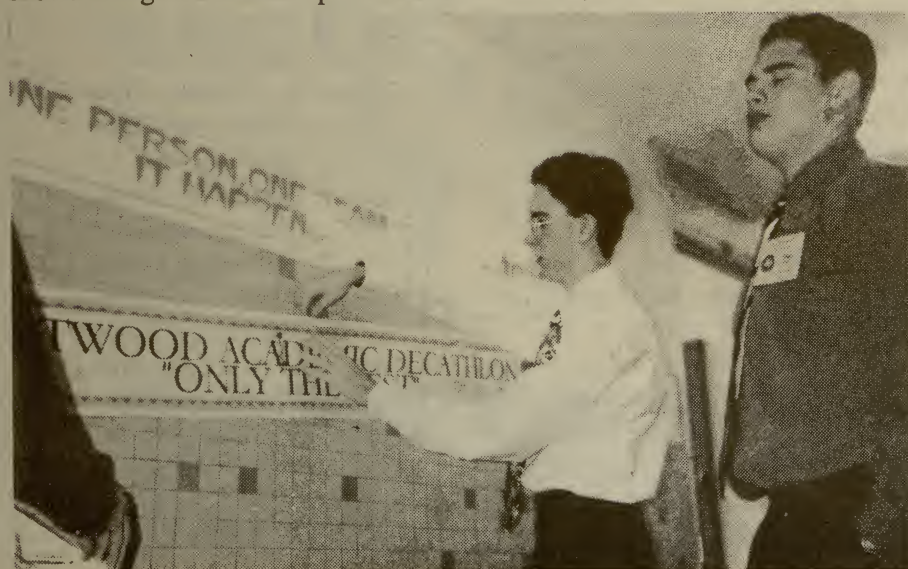


Photo by Jamie Melton
TEAM SPIRIT- Westwood High School students get ready for the Academic Decathlon. During the meet, students participated in various events including speech, math and essay writing.

Dale Carr promoted to head football coach

Chris Stegman
Staff Writer

The Apaches football program solved the problem of replacing three time Coach of the Year Delton Wright who retired in December by promoting their own Offensive Coordinator Dale Carr to head coach.

Carr 31, an Odessa Permian graduate who played football for the Colorado State Rams, has been coaching for eight years, six of them at TJC.

"There is a lot of Coach Wright in me and my coaching style," Carr said. "He (Wright) was an excellent recruiter and a great coach."

"I am a goal-oriented person. My main goal is to get good kids in our program and help them gain degrees," Carr said. "This is one of our main selling points when we're recruiting, because recruits and their parents know of our excellent faculty and school."

"I think that Coach Carr is a good fit, because he knows our players and our system. That is key to a first year

coach being successful." Freshmen Wide Receiver Terence Green said.

"I have brought in two new coaches," Carr said, "Defensive Coordinator Ron Comanche from Nolan High School in Fort Worth and Offensive Coordinator David Panter from North Mesquite High School." Former Defensive Coordinator Tinker Ratliff has been reassigned to teaching duties.

"Of course, we're here to win football games," he said. "We have great support from the faculty and students, and we are hoping to gain that same support from the community."

Carr has 32 returning freshmen and is out to get 20 to 25 more recruits. "We're only one deep at most positions and we have got to get some depth."

His most rewarding moments, he said comes "when a player that I coached and helped get a degree, comes back years later with a job and a family, and thanks me for helping him achieve that."



Courtesy Photo

MOVIN' UP—Coach Carr at the Dec. 22 press conference where his promotion from Offensive Coordinator to Head Football Coach was announced.

3-on-3 intramural basketball to begin play Monday

Chris Stegman
Staff Writer

Spring intramural sports begin next week.

"Feb. 2 is the last day to sign up for the intramural basketball league," Student Activities Director Chris Edwards said. League games will begin on Feb. 7 and go through Spring Break. The teams will be play in Gentry Gym inside the HPE Center.

"It is a three-on-three format," Edwards said "and it looks like we will

have about 30 teams in the league."

Students can sign up for the basketball league at the front desk of the HPE Center, or in room 111 of the University of Texas at Tyler University Center.

Coming later this spring will be intramural softball and a golf tournament. Students can begin signing up for the golf tournament Feb. 19. No sign-up date is set for the softball league yet. For more information on intramural sports call Edwards at 566-7081.

Apache baseball to open 4th season Friday at home

Chris Stegman
Staff Writer

Last year Coach Jon Groth's baseball squad ended with a disappointing 19-28 season. Although the finish is not where they wanted to be, it is astounding considering TJC baseball began in 1993. The 56 game season begins tomorrow at 2 p.m. when the Apaches meet Northlake College at Mike Carter Field.

"We only have eight returning players from last year's team," Groth said. "We have a lot of young players this year that will see extensive playing time."

Returning players from the '95 team are: Brian Baklik, Ashley Colburn, Byron Killian, Jason Lee, Matt McKinney (1st Team All Conference) Joshua Skinner, Brandon Smith and

Jason Thompson.

Freshmen are: Bart Clayton, Chris Cox, Ryan Davis, Ray Dorsett, Corey Ellsworth, Paco Escamilla, Terence Green, Chris Hotman, Jacen Jenke, Shawn Loughlin, Michael Montemayor, Stephen Norris, Brendan Shannon and Chuck Talley.

"Even though our program is young we have had great success at seeing our players go on to four-year schools," Groth said. "We have sent 22 players to Division I schools."

"Our goal is to make the playoffs," Groth said. "It will depend on whether or not our young players can tee it up. The hard part is you have to finish first or second in our conference to get into the playoffs."

H&R BLOCK

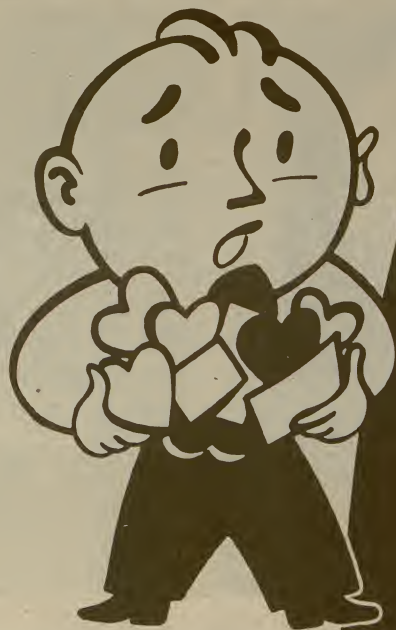
in association with Student Activities
will offer **free** income tax seminars

Rogers Student Center
Apache Room 4 Feb. 14
noon and 4 p.m.

A drawing for free tax preparation
will be held at each seminar.

(903)593-6274
Call to assure a place
Drop-ins welcome as space permits

HEAD CASE TRIVIA



THE AWE-
INSPIRING
King MONGUL
OF SIAM HAD
over 9,000
WIVES.

SAVE
25%
throughout our
store from
February
5-14.

Valentine's
DAY SHOPPING
MUST
HAVE BEEN
horrible.



TYLER
JUNIOR COLLEGE
BOOKSTORE
Rogers Student Center

Excludes textbooks and
already-discounted items.

• OVER 1,000,000 BRAINS Served™ •